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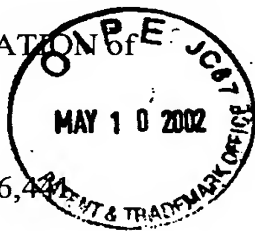
In re PATENT APPLICATION of

SHIMM

Application No.: 10/086,441

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Title: **APPARATUS FOR LOCATING  
AND ANESTHETIZING NERVE  
GROUPS**



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Before examination of the above-entitled Application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims 25-27:

25. (New) The apparatus of claim 15, wherein each actuation of the first switch incrementally increases the amperage.

26. (New) The apparatus of claim 25, wherein each actuation of the second switch incrementally decreases the amperage.

27. (New) The apparatus of claim 26, wherein continuous actuation of first switch increases the amperage by more than one increment, and wherein continuous actuation of the second switch decreases the amperage by more than one increment.